

Here Comes MIRCal: Patient Data Goes High-Tech

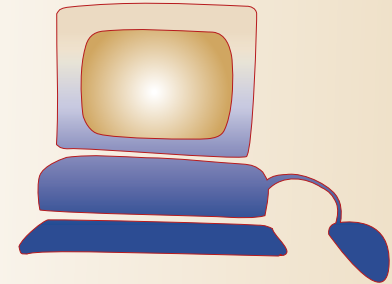
MIRCal:

- ★ Provides a convenient and secure means for you to submit inpatient data to OSHPD via the Internet.
- ★ Provides faster turnaround time for your data submissions: electronically submit data and within 24 hours receive status reports.
- ★ Allows you to practice before you submit. The MIRCal testing feature simulates all the edits and reports generated by a formal submission.
- ★ Provides electronic summary and detailed listings of errors in your report.
- ★ Allows you to correct your errors on-line. Clean your data as many times as you'd like before formally transferring it for processing.
- ★ Provides an option to enter discharge data records individually.
- ★ Keeps a two-year history of your previous data submissions for comparison purposes.
- ★ Can provide for correspondence (such as reminder letters and status reports) to be sent electronically to your contact person or designated agent, if your e-mail address is on file.

Get ready for MIRCal

You will need the following equipment to use MIRCal:

1. Access to a personal computer (with the following minimum configuration)
 - 300 MHZ processor, 32MB RAM, 4 GB hard drive (at least 500 MB free)
 - High speed LAN connection (preferred) or 56k modem or faster
 - Microsoft Internet Explorer version 4.0 (or higher) with 128-bit Secure Socket Layer (SSL)
 - Virus Checking Software
 - Optional: ZIP Program and CD-ROM
2. Internet Access (via Internet Service Provider)
3. E-mail
4. Adobe Acrobat Reader



If you are uncertain whether you've met these requirements, contact your in-house Information Technology PC support department or contact OSHPD at (916) 324-6147.

Security

Security is a priority for OSHPD. MIRCal insures that all data submitted remains confidential by utilizing 128-bit SSL encryption. Furthermore, MIRCal will enforce the use of user IDs and passwords to log on to the system. You will be required to complete and sign user agreements before receiving a user ID & password.

Important Dates: Reporting 2001 Data

January 2002

Scheduled availability of
MIRCaI for testing & training

March 31, 2002

First half of 2001 data due
(proposed)

May 31, 2002

Second half of 2001 data due
(proposed)

MIRCaI Information Resources

To find out more about MIRCaI and up-
coming events go to

www.oshpd.state.ca.us/hid

and click on the Medical Information
Reporting for California (MIRCaI) link
located in the middle of the page.

You can also call your OSHPD analyst,
call us at (916) 324-6147 or e-mail us at

mircai@oshpd.state.ca.us

Next Steps

Check the MIRCaI
information web site
frequently for updated
information.

Make sure you meet
the minimum PC
requirements.

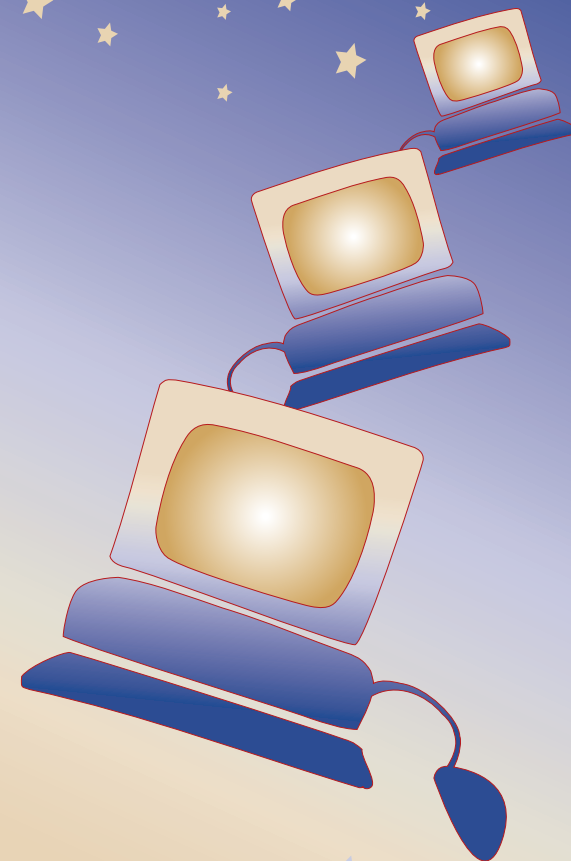
Look for upcoming
mailings from
OSHPD regarding
MIRCaI.

Set aside time to take
MIRCaI Computer Based
Training (CBT) in
January 2002.

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